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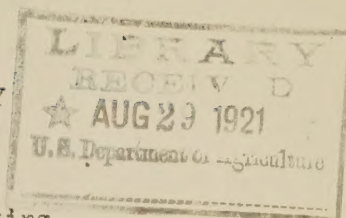


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INSECT PEST SURVEY

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TWO NEW PESTS IN LOUISIANA

FOWL TICK, Argas miniatus Koch.

Mr. T. H. Jones of the Louisiana Agricultural Experiment Station under date of April 11 says: "These mites were taken in New Orleans and were referred to Mr. F. C. Bishopp of the Bureau of Entomology for determination. I believe this is to be the first authentic record of this pest in the State of Louisiana, although we have had one or two reports which were suspicious."

SCALE INSECT ON CANE, Aclerda sp.

In the same communication he reports: "Specimens of this scale insect were sent me on May 8 by Mr. Barber, though the pest had been noted some time previously by him. It was taken on sugar cane growing in the greenhouse at the Sugar Experiment Station at Audubon Park, and Mr. Barber has more recently reported it outdoors ~~on~~ grass near the greenhouse, the grass being Andropogon muricatus. Both Mr. Morrison and Professor G. F. Ferris have seen specimens of the scale insect reporting nothing further than genus. It appears that it may be an undescribed species, and that it has not been taken in Louisiana before, and possibly is a recent introduction. Indications are that it will not prove to be a serious pest of sugar cane at least, and Mr. Barber reports that it is highly parasitized."

